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Knit Together

Dr. Robert G. Lee, Pastor, Bellevue Baptist Church Memphis, Tennessee, President, Southern Baptist Convention

"So all the men were gathered against the city knit together as one man" (Judges 20:11).

This reveals dark days in Israel — days when error, terror, violence, trouble, rancor, wickedness were rampant. "There was no such deed done nor seen from the day that the children of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt." That deed? In Gibeah, at night, a stranger's concubine-wife, by base men, sons of Belial, was done to death in unspeakable orgies of lust. At Gibeah, all Israel, stirred to wrath as a tempest stirs a forest, said to the Benjamites: "Deliver up these base fellows that we may put them to death and put away evil from Israel." Benjamin refused. "All the men of Israel were gathered against the city knit together as one man" determined that they would not cover up, lessen, decorate, or excuse such wickedness. Would that Baptists would be as burning concerned, as mightily united, even "knit together as one man," for the work, for the high enterprises which are ours, in the refusal to toy with trivialities.

I - Knit Together In Purpose.

"All the men of Israel were gathered against the city knit together as one man!" There was one mind in all these men, and that was bent against evil.

Not as loafers seeking to avoid work elsewhere did they come. Not as busybodies seeking to hear and see some new thing, not as swashbucklers ready to follow the noisiest procession or shout under the gaudiest banner, not as onlooker indifferent to the issues of the day did they come. But, to put away evil from Israel did they come, willing to live, to fight, to bleed, to die.

Let not Baptists forget that days of tremendous importance face us — days in which we confront with the Baptist message the deformities of our time — deformities that show

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PASTOR PLAYS POLITICS

Christians in the United States know little of the hardships and persecutions of living where some church is in the majority. Below is a quotation from a letter received from Dr. W. Dewey Moore, who is in charge of Baptist Mission work in Italy. Read it.

"Two weeks ago Pastor Ronchi of Rome, went about sixty miles north to speak on a Sunday afternoon at a small town where there is a Baptist family and many sympathizers but no church building or regular meetings. He intended to speak in the public square on the subject 'If the Catholics Read the Bible' When he arrived he

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N. O. BAPTIST SEMINARY WILLED \$25,000

The New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary will be the recipient of \$25,000, or more, from the Estate of D. Saylor Good, Roanoke, Virginia, according to Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, President of the Seminary.

The estate of Mr. Good is valued at \$93,000.00. A niece will receive \$30,000.00, and after a few other minor bequests are paid, the residue is to be divided equally and paid to the New Orleans Seminary and George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee.

"This gift will come like manna in the wilderness, like bread from heaven, to us as we expect to break ground on July 1 to build four student apartment buildings on the new 75-acre campus," said Dr. Leavell. The new building program will include fifty family units, and will cost \$700,000.00.

BAPTISTS START CHURCH IN FORMER "HONKY-TONK"

Organizes Church



REV. R. B. PATTERSON

TOCCOPOLA JUNCTION CHURCH



Toccopola Junction in Pontotoc county did not have a church. But it had a "honky-tonk" called "The Pines" That was before May 17, 1947, when a young man who had been attending the Saturday night dance was found shot to death near the place. Citizens of the vicinity were aroused, and those who were Christians were especially distressed. The place was closed.

About two months ago, Rev. R. B. Patterson, Associational Missionary, sought cooperation of the people to organize a Sunday school in the neighborhood. One citizen told him, "We have been praying for you to come. We want a church as well as a Sunday school. We don't know of any building available except 'The Pines.' But," he added, "what better use could it be put to?"

The missionary was thrilled with the intense interest of the people. He called a meeting after securing permission to use the former night club building. The first Sunday 65 came to help start the Bible school. These wanted to start a church, also. And at a subsequent meeting, Rev. Patterson

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100,000 SUNDAY SCHOOL PUPILS STAGE PARADE

BROOKLYN, N. Y. —(RNS)— General Dwight D. Eisenhower headed the reviewing party here for the 119th Anniversary Day parade of the Brooklyn Sunday School Union, and nearly 100,000 youngsters stepped out smartly before the wartime hero.

Pupils of 300 Protestant churches participated in the unique parade, which marked the establishment of the Union in 1829. The marchers were split up into 28 divisions throughout the Brooklyn and Queensborough neighborhoods.

It was the first public appearance for "Ike" since he assumed the presidency of Columbia University, and, more than in any previous parade, ranks and files were straight and steps on the beat, as the youthful marchers passed in front of the general.

Each church group carried its identifying banner, and thousands of American and religious flags were held aloft. Boy scout and girl scout troops, and cub packs, were plentiful in the line of march, and many churches paraded to the music of their own drum and bugle corps.

Even those "Christian soldiers" too young to march had a part in the festivities, with crepe-decorated baby carriages prominent in almost every division. There were also a number of floats, all of them evidencing weeks of careful preparation.

400 Churches Seek Information On Advertising Program

MEMPHIS, Tenn. —(BP)— Lawson H. Cooke, executive secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, said that more than 400 churches in 338 towns and cities have asked for information on how they can institute a religious billboard campaign in their community.

The billboard publicity program was started by the Baptist Brotherhood last January with the Baptist churches of Memphis contracting for 17 large billboards for the year 1948. Messages are changed monthly. Window cards, automobile plates, desk blotters, and newspaper advertising carrying the same message are scattered throughout the city.

Cooke said that the advertising is available to Baptist churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention territory.

Home Mission Week At Ridgecrest

During the week of June 1-8, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly launched its fortieth summer session with the coming of some six-hundred delegates for the Home Mission Conference. The delegates represent states from California to Maryland and Washington, D. C.

Dr. Courts Redford, assistant executive secretary-treasurer of the Home Mission Board, presided over the general sessions.

Tuesday evening, Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor of Bellevue Church, Memphis and president of the Southern Baptist Convention, brought the initial evangelistic message, "The Might of Mass Evangelism". Dr. Lee spoke twice Wednesday; that morning, his subject was "A Plea for Personal Pleadings". His evening's theme was "A Campaign for Compassionate Concern."

"The Evangelist's Message" was the

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Informed Baptists Are Better Baptists The Every Family Plan Makes Informed Baptists

KNIT TOGETHER

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themselves in soft pedaling on unpleasant truth, in digging or keeping open chasms across which men glare at each other in suspicion and ill will. Men seek to rationalize Christianity by reducing it to a natural system. Today, hungry hearts are fed on geological stone pies; hungry mouths are given the bones of "pre-historic" animals to gnaw. Today, spiritual latitudes are as wide as Sahara and correspondingly dry. Today, cults ply their trades with the effrontery of a thief, mumbling in metaphysics, darkening counsel by big words without wisdom. Today, rationalism summons the Holy Scriptures to appear for trial before the bar of human reason.

In the light of this, we should be knit together in purpose as one man, letting no applause of men gratify our ears, letting no worldly garland touch our brows, seeking amid the perspiring tumults of earth, to listen to the eternal voice of the living God.

II. - Knit Together In Asking Counsel of God.

"And the children of Israel arose and went up to the house of God, and asked counsel of God." We need to do likewise, lest life become more of a game, a scheme, an artifice among us, and less of an exalted crusade, lest we change clear, straight sight for winks and nods and wiles.

We need to ask this counsel in prayer. "They that wait upon the Lord in petition shall exchange their natural strength for the supernatural strength of God, who works in answer to prayer." On this basis prayer is the most reasonable action in earth. Prayer has brought things to pass. Can it now? In Abraham's day it secured extension of mercy from God. In Elijah's day the breath of prayer blew the clouds out of the sky for over three years. "And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit." In Daniel's day prayer walked the dungeon as a lion tamer. In Joshua's day prayer reached up and took the bits of the fiery horses of the sun and laid hold on the skirts of the moon, and stopped them in mid-heavens. In Hezekiah's day prayer sent the shadow of the sun dial backwards; in Isaiah's day, wrapped armies in a shroud; in Paul's day, brought earthquakes; in Peter's day, took away prison bars.

And if others did that in counseling with God in days gone by, immeasurable are the things we can achieve in the same way. For we have the same God, the "same yesterday, today, and forever."

There is a place where thou canst touch The eyes of blinded men to instant, perfect sight!

There is a place where thou canst say 'Arise!'

To captives bound in chains of night.

There is a place where thou canst reach The hoarded gold, and free it for the Lord.

There is a place upon some distant shore Where thou canst send the worker and the Word.

There is a place where God's resistless power Responsive moves to thine insistent plea;

There is a place where God Himself descends To fight for thee.

Where is that place? Dost thou ask where?

It is the mighty place of prayer!

III - Knit Together In Encouragement
"The people of Israel encouraged themselves." They had to. They came to face the bitterness of defeat. The battle of the first endeavor to "put



Shown above are part of the leaders in the youth revival to be held at 41st Avenue Church, Meridian, June 20 - 25. This is part of the Lauderdale Associational simultaneous youth revival. Rev. Billy Stogner (left) will be the speaker. He is a graduate of the New Orleans Seminary. Glenn Merrill (right) of Mississippi College will be the song leader. Miss Cita Harris of the WMU Training School, Louisville, Kentucky, will be the pianist.

evil away," found them defeated before Benjamin with many dead. Defeat and the discouragement of defeat sat heavy on them.

Today, many in our ranks are head-dizzy, body-weary, heartsick. We must not "toot" our Baptist horns on every highway and in bypath until our financial and spiritual batteries grow weak. Our "pay days" must be bigger than our "pledge days." We dare not fondle what we have done, "strutting our stuff" everywhere until we are drugged by our successes into a sort of retrogression which shows only in occasional good spurts.

Let us get knit together in encouragement, remembering that the encouraging soul is a godsend, that he comes upon us like a water carrier in the desert.

IV - Knit Together In Sacrifice.

"Then the children of Israel went up and wept and fasted and offered burnt offerings!" It is all, a spirit of sacrifice that brought tears to their eyes, that denied food to their bodies, that offered sacrifices unto God.

What wonders we would witness were Southern Baptists knit together in "counting all things but loss that they might know Jesus and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of his suffering!"

Someone said: "Three things I wish I could see — Paul thundering from the chair of truth, Jesus conversing in the flesh, the Roman Empire in the height of its power!" More than any of these and more than all these would I rather see the results that would be inevitable and the spiritual revival that would follow as the day the night, if — yes IF, — the shadow of the Cross were on the pocket-books and the properties of Southern Baptists, and they themselves knit together in one high, holy, sacrificial endeavor, not giving their money as a miser pays taxes, and not for show and not for cheap rivalry, but as an act of unselfish service, as an act of holy worship.

V - Knit Together In Victory

"The Lord smote Benjamin before Israel!" Victory, in which they all shared. Victory! And if Israel, by the urge of a dead and nameless woman's body, came to the hour of victory, how great will our victory be if we follow the living Christ, who was dead and is alive forevermore!

God keep Southern Baptists from a

passive acquiescence in small attainments, from a slothful timidity in daring, from a visionless supineness in work, from a careless indifference to the great stretches of the unattained, from "contracting our firmament to the compass of a tent."

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BAPTISTS START CHURCH

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son named a committee of eight men to raise funds for the purchase of the building. They raised \$2,100 immediately, and are gathering funds to complete payment for the property.

Dance Floor To S. S. Rooms

The interior of the building has been remodeled, six dozen chairs have been bought and the place redecorated. A piano has been donated. The old club dance floor was on the second floor. This has been made into Sunday school rooms. The auditorium is on the first floor. Commenting on the work, the missionary states that the spirit of these people and their zeal exceeds anything he has ever beheld. Much honest approval for the task the Pontotoc county People have done will be certain to rise in the hearts of Mississippi Baptists. As in the days when the Lord was on earth, many will rejoice, as when they "beheld Satan falling . . ." and the glory of God is preached in the place where evil formerly held sway!

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Longtown Church Has Bible School

Longtown Church Panola county recently conducted a Vacation Bible School. The enrollment was 37, average attendance 31, professions of faith 11, and a mission offering of \$18.00.

The faculty was composed of: Joseph W. Oliver, associational missionary, principal; Mrs. J. N. Morris Intermediate Mrs. Chester Perkins, junior leader; Mrs. Lamar Burford, assisted by Mrs. Lamar Goodwin, beginner leader; Mrs. Allen Morris, assisted by Miss Dolly Ann Pollen, primary leader; Miss Lilly Collier, pianist.

The following made it possible for the school to have refreshments every day and a picnic Friday: Mrs. B. B. Brethwik, Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Goodwin, Mrs. J. N. Morris, Mrs. Isaiah Johnson, Mr. Schneider, Mr. Ashley Lambert, Mr. Chester Perkins, Mrs. Allen Morris and Mrs. Bryant Buford.

HOME MISSION WEEK

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first of Dr. W. A. Criswell's messages. Dr. Criswell is pastor of First Church, Dallas, Texas. Thursday morning in his second message, "Church-Centered Evangelism," he showed us that the soul winner must be willing to accept handicaps. Dr. Criswell's closing message was "Evangelism in The Pew," pointing us back to the fervent, persevering faith of pioneer preachers.

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary-treasurer of the Baptist Sunday School Board, stated Friday night in his message, "The Place of Prayer in Evangelism," that prayer makes the difference between revivals and protracted meetings. His Saturday topic was "What Must I Do To Be Saved?"

Friday night, using the theme, "Beyond the Barriers," Dr. Alfred Carpenter, head of direct missions of the board, presented six missionaries who have come "from behind barriers" to Christian service—one who uses sign language to overcome the barrier of deafness; a Creole girl who crossed a barrier to become a missionary; a lady who conquered a barrier of neglect in Louisiana; a Polish girl, now a Good Will Center worker, who conquered the stigma of discrimination; and the chief of a Virginian Indian tribe who overcame the barrier of being forgotten.

One of the highlights of the week was the Saturday night program, an evangelistic emphasis brought by a four-member Youth Revival team from Texas. The speakers were Jackie Robinson, a Baylor student and outstanding athlete, named this year to the Olympic team; and Charles Wellborn, a Southwestern Seminary student who is recognized throughout Southern Baptist territory as one of the most brilliant and dynamic young preachers of our day. Bo Baker, also a Southwestern student, and pastor of Birchman Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, was song leader, and Buckner Fanning of Baylor served as chairman.

Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer of the Home Mission Board, spoke Sunday morning on "The Holy Spirit in Evangelism," and an evangelistic message was delivered that night by Dr. C. E. Matthews, superintendent of evangelism for the Home Mission Board. "Facing the Future," was Dr. Redford's theme Monday morning. Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president of the seminary in Louisville, brought the closing message of this conference. "The Imperative of Evangelism."

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Pastor George Gay, First Church, Ripley, reports a great meeting at the Tipton County Baptist rally which met with the Tiptonville Church on June 9. He states that all the speakers were at their best. Among those having parts on the program were: Rev. C. J. Smyly, Rev. George Gay, Mrs. Jack Wilbanks, Dr. W. E. Green, Rev. L. W. Stanger, John Boyd, Jr., G. F. Farrell, Mrs. John Peeler, Roy Randall, and Hugh F. Latimer.

Blue Mountain, Miss., June 14 — Four Blue Mountain College girls will serve this summer as counselors at Camp Hiawatha near Kezar Falls in Maine. They are: Katherine Beaty, Jackson; Hilda Lackey, Calhoun City; Louise Moseley, Gaffney, S. C.; and Doris Dempsey, Waltham, Mass.

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the Itawamba County Missionary Baptist Association which met with the Pleasant Ridge Church on October 9 - 10, 1947. Officers are: moderator, D. W. Graham, clerk and treasurer, A. G. Graham.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12

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Jesus said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Matthew 28:18-20.

Paul said, "Preach the word," 2 Timothy 4:2.

Our first task is making Christ known to lost men. This is done through preaching the gospel, teaching the word, and living Christian lives that others may see Jesus in us. 2 Corinthians 3:1-5.

Our first work is not organizations, programs, drives, campaigns, finances, but our first task is the winning of men to Christ.

As printed on page 59 of the last Mississippi Convention annual, we see that our five best years in baptisms are as follows:

1940	13,367
1941	13,249
1942	13,043
1943	12,282
1944	12,232

We may improve this spiritual fruitfulness and we should improve it. We will improve it in obedience to Christ. We will improve it as our spirituality increases. We will improve it as we think of Christ and others and less of ourselves.

II
This office is now gathering report materials and statistical forms for mailing to the associations. They will be mailed to the association clerk according to the name and address in our files. We expect to mail them out one month before the meeting date of the various associations. The King's business is big business! It is important business!

III
In the home going of Miss Margaret Lackey, earth lost one of its greatest Christian women. Heaven's gain was tremendous. We do not know of a Christian woman exerting a greater Christian influence in life. She loved the Lord. She loved everybody. Every cause of Christ was dear to her heart. One thing certain, she never deliberately hurt anybody. Like Jesus, she was always a blessing and never a hurt. She was Christian, cultured, capable, gentle, but words fail fully in describing her. I Corinthians 13. Psalm 23. John 14.

IV
Many of our finest boys and girls, young men and young women, have recently graduated from our high schools and colleges. Congratulations to them and all good wishes. Psalm 121. Numbers 6:24-26. John, chapters 14-17. Psalm 37:5.

An Interesting Letter

Ocean Springs, Mississippi

"Dear Scotchie:

Just wanted to let you know something about what we are doing here on the coast. We have had 59 additions since the first of the year. Had 29 in our recent revival, three last Sunday, and six yesterday.

We have made plans to departmentalize the Sunday School. We will meet in departments next Sunday. Two departments will have to meet together until we can provide more room. Sunday School attendance has increased from 103 to 212.

Our Training Union is growing too. Attendance has increased from 40 to 117. We had fourteen in prayer meeting when we came here. The attendance has grown to eighty-six.

Brother Roberts was with us last week in a men's meeting. We selected a president and will meet tomorrow night to organize a brotherhood.

The greatest thing we have is our Saturday night men's and boys' prayer meeting. It's the greatest thing I have

been in since seminary days. Our young men and old men cry out to the Lord as though they were alone with the Lord. One of our soldier boys prayed Saturday night, probably a new experience for him; but he poured out his heart to God for his buddy. Yesterday morning when the invitation was given, that buddy made his way to the front and gave his heart to Christ. Scotchie, we know you are carrying a heavy load, and we also want you to know that we remember you in these Saturday night meetings.

We have finished our auditorium, provided a pastors' study, and we are furnishing a prayer room. Some remodeling will begin on the pastor's home soon.

Our prayer is that in the near future, we may be able to build a modern educational plant.

Pray for us, as we remember you. Your brother in Christ."

W. R. STORIE

VI

Brother Neill, Tishomingo Association Missionary, is in a county wide series of tent revivals starting at Inka and then going to Belmont. We promised to run back up for one day, if at all possible, so we flew up Friday. They insisted that we preach, spend the night, and preach again, which we were glad to do. The tent was overflowing with people. There was one profession of faith, making 24 for the first few days of the meeting.

We were delightfully entertained in the home of Pastor and Mrs. Jack Cranford.

VII

CLARKE MEMORIAL COLLEGE INSTITUTED

40 years ago next September Clarke College was instituted. Help keep Clarke College going until Jesus comes by making a financial contribution now. With the 40th anniversary motif, friends of Clarke College, friends of Christian Education, and all Mississippi Baptists are being urged to give in multiples of \$40 as \$80, \$120, \$200, \$400, \$600, \$800. For those who can give no more, \$4.00 is suggested. The names of those who give in these sums will be inscribed in a Book of Remembrance under the title, "Builders of Clarke College." This scroll will be kept permanently in a prominent place at Clarke College. Give in one of these sums now, sending in your name to Clarke College Campaign office, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi, giving your address, the church and association through which the offering was made, and when the offering was made. Help get complete victory for this great school!

VIII

Pastor Wayne Alliston invited us out to Line Creek, Scott County, for both services Sunday. This church was organized in 1800 or seventeen years before Mississippi became a state. It is on the old Line road from Meridian to Vicksburg, and Sherman is said to have traveled that way during the Civil War. This church is now housed in a lovely new brick building. We had the privilege of witnessing before two splendid congregations.

Monday night we were at the Brotherhood meeting of the Hinds-Warren groups. Over 100 men were present in an enthusiastic session. The meeting started off with an out-of-door fish supper prepared by the fine members of Terry Baptist Church, Rev. Thurman Booth, pastor. Dr. James W. Parrish, Laurel, brought a very helpful message. We did not make a list of pastors present but we recall that in addition to Brother Booth, Pastors Homer Roberson, Vicksburg, William L. Compere, Norman Price and S. W. Valentine of Jackson, R. L. Wallace, Raymond, and Rev. Phil Walker, Warren County Association Missionary, were present. Of course, Brotherhood Secretary W. R. Roberts was on hand, and

with him, Brother J. B. Parker, from the offices. Brotherhood continues to grow!

IX

One of our fine younger pastors writes that about the only way they can find for keeping up regular Co-operative Program remittances through this office is to remit weekly. That is the best way. That is the ideal way. That is the scriptural way. In I Corinthians 16:1-2 we read, "Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." That offering was taken up in each local church but for an outside cause. They did not have the intensive, convenient organization that we have for remitting, so they had to wait for the missionaries to come around and pick up the offering. The various causes and institutions need the money and it is decidedly best for it to be sent right along.

X

MEANINGFUL MESSAGE

Romans 2:1, "Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things."

Here the word of God says a fellow judges others by what he would do himself under similar circumstances! Think that through!

Southern Baptists Continue On The March Mississippi Baptists Continue On The March

Below we give the figures of receipts by states for southwide and worldwide work. While Mississippi has the lowest per capita income of any state in the south, Mississippi Baptists are generous and loyal to the point that we stand well up in the list of states in the matter of contributions for worldwide work. The list follows:

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	RECEIPTS		TOTAL
	Co-operative Program	Designated	
Special	\$ 1,055.60	\$ 257.40	\$ 1,313.00
Alabama	24,150.44	17,917.77	42,068.21
Arizona	1,388.26	1,263.75	2,652.01
Arkansas	10,064.27	15,063.86	25,128.13
California	1,865.14	2,661.44	4,526.58
Dist. of Columbia	600.00	1,682.80	2,282.80
Florida	28,724.83	20,434.95	49,159.78
Georgia	29,473.63	27,168.27	56,641.90
Illinois	8,797.28	6,988.96	15,786.24
Kentucky	42,191.72	27,358.11	69,549.83
Louisiana	15,372.96	15,997.69	31,370.65
Maryland	3,902.27	—	3,902.27
Mississippi	24,722.90	28,002.45	52,725.35
Missouri	28,107.58	22,204.56	50,312.14
New Mexico	3,382.76	1,691.06	5,073.82
North Carolina	57,919.61	88,277.46	146,197.07
Oklahoma	5,167.50	15,506.53	20,674.03
South Carolina	41,864.45	39,265.58	81,130.03
Tennessee	58,325.09	39,588.65	97,913.74
Texas	104,166.66	97,840.88	202,007.54
Virginia	23,755.59	—	23,755.59
Totals for Month	\$ 514,998.54	\$ 469,092.17	\$ 984,090.71
Year to Date	2,513,672.07	2,294,078.56	4,807,750.63
1947 to Date	2,145,659.75	1,619,167.11	3,764,826.86

DISBURSEMENTS

S. B. C. Budget Fund	\$ 10,299.93	\$ 50,273.37
Baptist Brotherhood of the South	5,046.98	24,634.86
Radio Commission	9,589.28	46,806.21
Foreign Mission Board	350,981.96	2,817,916.31
Home Mission Board	439,867.73	1,029,462.16
Relief and Annuity Board	76,104.69	371,891.53
Southern Baptist Hospital	504.72	2,501.06
Southern Baptist Theol. Seminary	25,968.25	125,016.16
Southern Baptist Theol. Seminary	25,754.99	125,101.52
New Orleans Baptist Theol. Seminary	25,242.31	124,193.60
Woman's Missionary Union (Tr. School & Desg.)	5,269.81	25,428.68
American Baptist Theol. Seminary	10,108.46	49,390.86
Miscellaneous	861.60	15,134.31
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 984,700.71*	\$ 4,807,750.63

*Note: B.W.A. Copenhagen Deficit included.

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How To Live After You Die

In another section of the Baptist Record is carried a news item about a gift received by the Southern Seminary in New Orleans from a man who has passed away. Mr. Saylor Good wrote his will in 1933. In it he provided for a sum to be given to the New Orleans Seminary. He used his money as long as he lived. Then the gift was turned over to the Seminary.

It came to the school when it was badly needed in their new expansion program. It was given freely to be used as needed.

While the donor has passed on, his reward is still being piled up—for as long as the Name of the Lord is honored in the New Orleans Seminary, so long will this man's reward be growing through his gifts.

He found out how to keep on living after he died.

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A Significant Day

"He lived in the morning sunlight
And marched in the ranks of right.

"He was always true to the best he knew,
And the shield that he bore was bright."

With joy and thankfulness, we approach Sunday, June 20—the day that has been set aside as Father's Day. Although Mother's Day was established earlier, and not one of us would think of taking from it, Father deserves equal recognition and honor. He it was who won the love and life partnership of the greatest woman on earth—Mother.

The setting apart of this day by special services in churches and in other ways originated independently in different parts of the country and in different years. Credit for making the first suggestion probably belongs to Mrs. John Bruce Dodd of Spokane,

Washington. The idea occurred to her in 1909 as a suitable tribute to her own father who had successfully reared a family of children after the death of their mother.

The Spokane Ministerial Association approved the proposal, and the first celebration was held in Spokane on the third Sunday in June, 1910. Sons and daughters were asked to wear a red rose in honor of a living father and a white rose if the father was dead.

There are many reasons for which we should honor our fathers. One of the greatest and most endearing is their readiness to forgive. Their bigness in the face of their children's mistakes and sins is something extraordinarily fine and comes from a deep, understanding love. There is something in fathers that reflects, however imperfectly, the perfect love and forgiveness of our Heavenly Father.

What an influence is wielded when just remembering a father's desire for a son to live rightly will keep that son going in the right paths; or the possession of a father's old watch recalling his love and prayerful concern at a time when additional courage is needed to make noble, Christian decisions! Every father should strive to have this kind of influence on his children, and every child should make his father happy by exalting Christ in his life.

Let this Father's Day be one of rededication to the Christian standards of living, both for fathers and for sons and daughters.

To those who are younger: Don't wait until father is gone to tell him how you appreciate and love him.

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Youth Not Pawns

A few days ago, the Memphis Commercial Appeal had a thoughtful editorial on the above topic. The Editor discussed the tendency at a forum to blame most of youth's difficulties in conduct on "externals, such as newspapers, movies, comic books, indifferent churches, ineffective schools and so on." Commenting on the fact that one person asked "more or less plaintively, what else there was for youth to do after 6 p. m. except read comic books and go to the movies," we quote regarding what one young person declared:

Well, our cheers arise for the young lady who insisted that "youth could find the right sort of recreation if he wanted to, and certainly did not have to read the comic books and go to the joints. Youth is assuredly not composed of pawns that are moved willy-nilly around the board of life. There is such a thing as personal responsibility, and the freedom of choice exists with young people in extraordinarily generous measure these days and times."

Far be it from us to undervalue the need of opportunities for wholesome entertainment and recreation. It is no part of our desire to let any agency that deals with human beings, old or young, off from discharging any part of its proper duty. At the same time, however, young people, as well as their elders, do have the final decision and the ultimate responsibility as to what they do with their time, especially their leisure time.

It seemed to us that the forum illustrated, among other interesting things, the tendency to dependence on things outside of self for occupation in time off. There can hardly be a youngster in Memphis today who cannot get at any number of great books in numerous categories, but as far as we could see, no one mentioned reading of that sort as a combined exercise in pleasure and profit.

The trend to depend on things rather than thoughts, on mechanical devices rather than personal effort for entertainment began with the old phonograph. It was accelerated by the automobile, the picture show, the radio and so on. It was further hastened by the tremendous improvement in machines and so-called labor-saving gadgets. We may live in a push-button sort of world, but the individual still may decide which button to punch.

As a suggestion, we believe at some of our church youth meetings, a good forum on USING LEISURE TIME instead of SPENDING IT, would bring to light many strong Christian young people who have helpful hobbies and activities of a constructive nature they could describe and share with others, perhaps with less imagination, but just as great desire to UTILIZE TIME and not WASTE IT.

Youth are not pawns, and neither are they as shallow and giddy as those think who do not know youth.

—BR—

Bible Translations

There are many translations of the Bible. The latest translation is the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament. It has the advantage of all the latest discoveries which throw light on various passages.

A famous atheist is quoted as saying, "I can stand all the arguing of Christian apologists, but I have a little servant who is a disciple of Jesus and her pure, honest, truthful life staggers me sometimes." Men may argue against Christ and deny his divinity, but there is no argument against a regenerated and consecrated Christian life.

In his book, CLOTHED SKELETONS, Dr. William Ward Ayer relates the story of a group of preachers who were discussing the merits of the various translations of the Bible. One liked the King James Version best because of its simple, beautiful English. Another liked the American Revised Version best because it is more literal and comes nearer the original Hebrew and Greek. Another said he

avored Moffat's translation best and another argued for Weymouth's rendition; both of these because of their up-to-date vocabulary. One however, remained silent and when asked to express his opinion replied, "Brethren, I like my mother's translation best of all."

According to Dr. Ayer, the others expressed surprise; said they had not known his mother had translated the Bible. He replied, "Yes, she did. Of course, she did not translate it out of the original Hebrew and Greek, but she translated it into life and it was the most convincing translation I ever saw."

If we are to win people to Christ we must live the Bible. Our lives must be different from those who make no profession of Christianity.

The unsaved may not read the Acts of the Apostles, but they do read our lives.

—BR—

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

I Am a Baptist

B STANDS FOR "BORN AGAIN".

One cannot be born a Baptist. One must be born again. I am not a Baptist because my parents were Baptist. I decided at the age of twelve to become a Baptist.

A STANDS FOR "AUTHORITY".

Our authority is in the New Testament. Each church is autonomous. We acknowledge the authority of no priest, prince, nor parent in matters of the soul. The Holy Spirit is the authority.

P STANDS FOR "PREACHING".

This is our genius, the preaching of the pure and powerful Gospel of the Son of God. Our pulpit is in the center of our rostrum, because the Word of God rests upon it, and the Gospel is proclaimed from it. We meet for worship, the heart of which is preaching the Gospel of Salvation that others may believe and be baptized.

T. STANDS FOR "TEACHING".

After one has believed the Gospel and been born again, he can be taught the way of the Lord more perfectly. Our Bible School is the Church teaching. Every member is expected to come to Bible School for Christian teaching.

I STANDS FOR "IMMERSION".

Believers baptism is for those who have believed and received the plan of Salvation and understand the responsibility of church membership. We immerse believers only!

S. STANDS FOR THE "SUPPER."

The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience in which we partake of the bread which represents His body, and the cup which represents "His blood shed for the remission of sins."

T STANDS FOR "TOGETHER".
We Baptists are voluntary bands of baptized believers cooperating in worship, evangelism, education and service.

Bulletin of First Baptist Church
Humboldt, Tennessee



BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

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New Brotherhood

The above is a picture snapped recently at a men's meeting at East Moss Point Baptist Church, Rev. Zeno Wells, pastor. Over fifty men were in attendance, and after a presentation of the work of the Brotherhood by the Brotherhood Secretary, the men voted to organize. One could not ask for a finer spirit than prevails in that church with its new pastor. A quartet from First Church, Pascagoula, favored the group with two selections. Brother C. R. Haire is the educational director for First Church. Brother J. F. Brock from First Church, Moss Point, and representatives from his Brotherhood were in attendance. Associational Rallies Reach Many Men

Thus far we have heard from three of the associational rallies held up to this time. The attendance at each has been marvelous. Gulf Coast had 86, Jones, 137, and Hinds-Warren, 119. Reports will be made through the Record as they are received.

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PASTOR PLAYS POLITICS

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was told that the permit was for "indoor" meeting only and that for the outside religious meeting, a permit would have to be obtained three days in advance. A little disappointed but not "outdone" Pastor Ronchi enquired if it would be possible to hold a "political rally." The mayor replied "Certainly. Immediately. Give me your subject." The reply came without hesitation "For Whom Shall You Vote."

A huge crowd had gathered because they had been warned during the morning by the priests that they must not listen to the stranger who would speak in the afternoon as nothing he would say was true! Pastor Ronchi adroitly dressed up a religious message in political garb and ended with the statement: "I shall cast my vote for the KING OF KINGS!" (An interesting fact to note here is that a political speech could be made with permission given on the spot, but to speak on religion, three days was necessary.)

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According to the July-August-September issue of the Quarterly Review, there were 138 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention baptizing more than 100 during 1947. The names of the churches and pastors are listed in the issue.

The brewing industry has received a second postponement from the Department of Agriculture for its voluntary grain-saving agreement.

Clarke Met His Needs

By Dr. Hardee Kennedy,
New Orleans, La.

Any statement concerning what Clarke Memorial College means to me, whether it be elaborate or brief, must be inadequate. Like a host of alumni, I delight to acknowledge gratefully that this institution has lastingly influenced my life and work.

When I entered Clarke, it would have been financially impossible for me to enter any other institution on the college level. When it appeared certain that my circumstances precluded any further formal education for several years, or perhaps discounted the hope of it altogether, a beloved pastor pointed to the opportunities at Clarke as providential.

For me the school met a need that no other could meet. I found an unexcelled atmosphere of positive emphasis on spiritual values. A family-like, friendly, democratic spirit prevailed. At the time of my critical age and stage of experience these factors of influence proved tremendously advantageous. My thinking was clarified with respect to the purpose of God for me and my life was unreservedly dedicated to Christian service.

The required work was characterized by a high scholastic standard, a stimulating personal interest, and an undergirding Christian philosophy of education. Subsequent years of educational training and experience have provided ample reason for an ever enlarging appreciation of the capable and consecrated members of the faculty and of their teaching emphases.

My indebtedness to Clarke is great; my interest in the future of the institution is equally great. I firmly believe that Mississippi Baptist who are acquainted with the true genius and work of the school will make a generous response to the program of improvement and enlargement.

(Editor's Note: Dr. Kennedy, brilliant member of the faculty at the New Orleans Seminary has made an unusual contribution to the Kingdom both as a pastor and as an educator. Such testimonials prove the great value of Clarke College's service. In 1948, greater gifts are needed. Immediate calls are pressing, but the building critically needed will not be adequately financed by September school opening.)

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It takes just one wholehearted Christian to make a difference in his world. . . . Carl G. Campbell is The Baptist Student.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U.

ATTENDANCE

Brookhaven, First	746	
Jackson, Calvary	1321	237
Jackson, Calvary including		
Stone St. Mission	1351	265
Jackson, Northside	373	112
Jackson, Daniel	206	90
Jackson, First	1093	331
Jackson, Parkway	553	163
Parkway Chapel	58	21
Jackson, Davis Memorial	283	163
Jackson, Van Winkle	366	201
Jackson, Elraine	154	86
Zion Hill, Copiah County	65	31
East McComb	430	208
Crystal Springs	620	130
Pascagoula, First	561	152
Carmel, Lawrence County	104	93
Cross Roads, Webster County	92	77
Pleasant Valley, Simpson County		
County	107	186
Laurel, West	412	113
Laurel, Beacon	219	100
Gulfport, First	578	155
Holly Springs, Lincoln County	40	
Coats, Simpson County	48	
Mantee	105	24
Paynes	143	55
New Zion, Copiah County	113	70
Friendship, Pike County	190	105
Laurel, First	533	114
Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue	444	100
New Prospect, DeSoto County	64	78
Oak Grove, Calhoun County	47	52
Tate Street, Corinth	246	60
Lucedale	226	87
Hebron, Jones County	81	65
Calvary, Pike County	71	30
Center, Union County	145	58
Houlka	79	37
Columbus, First	721	201
O'Tuckalofo, Yalobusha County	38	
Booneville, First	262	90
Chalybeate	79	34
Cherry Creek, Pontotoc County	75	43
Rocky Springs, Yazoo County	33	
Darling	53	28
Grenada, First	5228	81
Laurel, Second Avenue	385	136
Long Creek, Lauderdale County		
County	93	96
Chester	50	
Mt. Vernon, Holmes County	24	30
Bethlehem, Jones County	111	75
Newton	388	97
Bruce	223	74
Magee	375	105
Tucker's Crossing, Jones County		
County	85	
Enders, DeSoto County	107	40
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Jackson, Elraine	101	96
Tucker's Crossing, Jones County		
County	102	46
Mantee	44	20
West Corinth	153	31
Coat, Simpson County	35	
Houlka	67	38
Stringer	87	
Middle Vista, Webster County	58	50
Center, Union County	138	72
Cherry Creek, Pontotoc County	70	43
Tate Street, Corinth	213	50
Chalybeate	67	40
O'Tuckalofo, Yalobusha County		
County	50	
Oak Grove, Calhoun County	61	53
Old Town, Calhoun County	117	76
Chester	31	
Bethel, Copiah County	148	100
Mt. Vernon, Leflore County	67	83
Darling	48	32

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The Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. met in Seattle last week and elected Dr. Jesse Hays Baird, California, as moderator; announced that the new Presbyterian Life would absorb the 117-year-old Presbyterian, independent publication; approved a \$3,446,549 budget for Christian education; restricted the function of retired or resigned clergymen in the matter of funerals, weddings, and baptisms "unless invited by the pastor of the church"; heard that Presbyterian seminaries have 500 students instead of the 1200 needed; and deferred action on union with Southern Presbyterians for another year.

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Rev. G. J. Smay of Blue Mountain is serving as supply pastor at Fellowship, Tippah County, preaching in the afternoon of the first and third Sundays.

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

SPRING HILL IS NUMBER 911

An old time friend of the Baptist Record, Rev. Barney E. Padgett, has again come through with an EVERY FAMILY list. A few months ago Mr. Padgett began his pastorate at Spring Hill, and one of his objectives was the Baptist Record. For a few weeks they have been receiving it on trial, and they liked it so well that they have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record.

Record readers in Simpson County are now listed as follows: Antioch 14; Athens 20; Beulah 2; Braxton 52; Coats 11; D'Lo 65; Dry Creek 6; Fork 45; Goodwater 14; Harrisville 53; Jupiter 26; Macedonia 53; Magee 142; Mendenhall 103; Mt. Zion 97; New Hope 40; Oak Grove 3; Pine Grove 29; Pinola 59; Pleasant Hill 55; Pleasant Valley 37; Poplar Springs 42; Sanatorium 2; Shivers 35; Siloam 2; Spring Hill 20; Stonewall 30; Strong River 32; Weathersby 5; New Bethlehem 8; Rose Hill 8; Kennedy Springs 1; New Zion 2.

FRIENDSHIP SENDS LIST

Friendship Church, Oktibbeha County, recently sent a list of 7 subscriptions, which helps the Baptist Record toward the 62,000 mark in circulation. Rev. C. S. Mullins, long time friend of the Record, is pastor of this church. The list of names were sent in by Mrs. E. W. Jones, church clerk.

Oktibbeha County Record readers are now listed as follows: Adaton 19; Bethesda 21; Double Springs 1; East Starkville 25; Longview 52; Mabon 53; Morgan Chapel 31; Pleasant Ridge 23; Salem 1; Self Creek 4; Starkville 173; Sturgis 55; Wake Forest 7.

SEVERAL CHURCHES HELP

If the circulation of the Baptist Record reaches 62,000 mark, much credit will be due many churches. Among those are the following who recently sent additions to their lists: Ocean Springs, 21 names sent by Pastor W. R. Storie; First Church, Columbus, 99 names sent by Miss Edna Brownlee, secretary; Second Avenue, Laurel, 86 names sent by Miss Julia Mae Martin, educational secretary; Bethlehem Church, Jones County, 9 names sent by Mrs. P. M. Geiger.

BURNETTE PROMOTES RECORD

The fact that Rev. L. E. Burnette, pastor of First Church, Lexington, has resigned does not keep him from promoting the Baptist Record. Recently the EVERY FAMILY list from Oregon Church, which he has served in connection with the Lexington pastorate, was sent in by Mrs. T. E. Hearn, treasurer.

A few weeks ago, Oregon Church in Holmes County began to receive the Record on trial, and as usual, the proof of the pudding was in the eating thereof. Now they have adopted the EVERY FAMILY plan.

Record readers in Holmes County are now listed as follows: Beulah 24; Central 2; Cruger 23; Durant 192; Ebenezer 1; Emory 6; Goodman 41; Harlands Creek 1; Horseshoe 25; Lexington 158; Mt. Pleasant 45; Oak Grove 17; Pleasant Ridge 33; Tehula 45; West 37; Pickens 54; Mt. Vernon 14; Oregon 13.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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Excellent Evangelistic Opportunity

As the reports continue to come in on the Vacation Bible schools, we note with genuine pleasure the number of conversions and church additions as a result of these schools.

One fine worker recently said that the Vacation Bible School not only affords a most wonderful Bible teaching privilege, but also is one of the very best evangelistic opportunities a church can have during the year.

So, let's give our boys and girls the advantages of the Vacation Bible school. The time is here for them. There is yet opportunity for them, but it won't be long now.

Order From Book Store

All Vacation Bible school books can be secured from The Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss.

The Free package of promotional literature can be secured from the state Sunday School Department, Jackson, Miss.

Registrations Discontinued

The matter of yearly registration of Sunday school classes and departments has been discontinued.

Therefore, none of these will be required to be registered as heretofore, even for standardization.

Good Mission Work

Many churches are sponsoring Vacation Bible schools in the Negro churches of their communities. This is a very fine way to do some excellent Bible teaching and gives spiritual emphasis to the work among these people.

Many young people are glad of such a chance to serve. Give them the privilege of doing this good work by working up a Vacation school or two in the Negro churches about you.

Also, the same thing goes for these schools in the needy sections where there are no churches for our white people as well. It is missions at home.

The Laurel Clinic

Do you want to attend the very finest thing you can this year to help you, as a teacher, with your class?

Well, we unhesitatingly recommend the statewide Better Bible Teaching Clinic at Laurel, the week of August 23-27. We say this on the basis of what many teachers have told us after attending former Clinics.

We are providing free entertainment for 100 people outside of Jones County for that week. The only cost to these 100 people will be transportation and a registration fee of \$3.00.

Don't you want to get in on this? Just let us hear from you.

Grow In Summer

Grow in summer? Sure, and why not?

Summer is the time for things to grow anyway. And that can be for a Sunday school as well as other things.

The same work, planning, praying, visiting, organizing, etc., that will get them in the winter, will get them to come in the summer. So, we can beat the summer slump by getting in a hump and seeing the people.

It always pays to contact the people. Many of them will come.

Another Summer Growth

Now that summer is here, we are soon to be in the midst of our largest revival meeting time. July and August are the two months of the year when there will be literally thousands of

churches having their annual meetings. These are great times indeed.

Our Sunday schools do have such a fine chance then to do some of their best evangelistic work. Find the people, distribute the names of the lost ones among the classes where they should be in the school, do special work among these, both on Sunday and during the week, pray for and with them, have personal contacts with them, inform them of the plan of salvation.

Yes, the summer is a great time for soul winning for a Sunday school.

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Sparks & Splinters

We are grateful to the friends of the Orphanage who have responded to our appeal for EGGS. We have received shipments recently from Tishomingo Baptist Church, W. M. S. Derma Baptist Church, Smyra Baptist Church, Girls Auxiliary of Spring Creek Church and Coldwater Church of Neshoba County. — W. G. Mize, Supt.

Friendship Church was the scene of a banquet recently given for the deacons, their wives, one deacon's widow, and Pastor and Mrs. M. Glenn Smith. The program included singing and short talks by Deacons Joe Seale and Percy Reeves, a special number by a men's quartet, and a short inspirational message by Rev. Smith.

Williamsburg Baptist Church, Route 1, Collins, has recently closed a singing school with Miss Katie Merle Stewart of Laurel as teacher. There were 70 students enrolled with a record crowd attending the closing service. Pastor W. M. McGehee brought an inspirational message on the right use of one's talents at the closing night.

A City-wide youth revival will be held at First Church, Laurel, June 20—25. Dr. Henry Allen Parker, pastor of First Church, Dothan, Alabama, will preach, with Rev. Gene Spearman, choir director of the same church, will lead the singing. Morning services will be held at 8:00 o'clock Monday through Friday, and evening services at 7:30. At 6:45 each evening, Rev. Spearman will conduct a forum for the young people of Laurel, and at 7:20 p. m. a prayer meeting will be held by the youth.

Six children came to make their home in the Baptist Orphanage recently. They are: Patricia Ann Martin, age 4; Dallas Wayne Martin 5; and William Earl Martin, 9, from Belsoni; Charles Frederick Jones, Jr., 4, from Jackson; James Harris Holland, 4, Dan Kyger Holland, 5, and Clara Ann Holland, 9, from Vaden.

World Comrades for July, 1948 states, "Your programs are planned by Sibyl Brame Townsend." Then follows programs worked out for four weeks.

Mrs. Townsend, who graduated from Blue Mountain College, had two other articles in the magazine, one a playlet entitled, "White Fields," and an article "Lois." Mrs. Townsend is the daughter of Dr. Webb Brame of Yazoo City.

District 4 Training Union convention will meet at Marks Church on June 25. The meeting will begin at 1:30 p. m. and go through the evening hour. All Training Union members of DeSoto, Tate, Panola, Tunica, Quitman, and Coahoma Counties are urged to attend and bring representatives from the Story Hour through the Adult Union.

Keith Ginn who formerly made his home in the Baptist Orphanage is a graduate of the Summer School Class of Mississippi College.

DR. GATES HONORED BY LAUREL CHURCH



Recent visitors in the office of the Baptist Record are listed as follows: Rev. and Mrs. L. R. Alford and Raymond, Scooba; Rev. J. F. Parker, Magee; W. J. Prince, Magee; Rev. C. L. Boland, Paynes; Dr. and Mrs. Webb Brame, Yazoo City; Billy Permenter, West Point; Hal Scofield, West Point; Billy Hood, West Point; Mrs. J. M. White, West Point; Rev. Harry A. Borah, Sturgis; Larline White, Sturgis; Rev. Dan Cameron, Sturgis; Rev. and Mrs. Guy A. Little, Columbia; Rev. W. M. McGehee Collins; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith and Dennis, Laurel; A. M. Overton, Fulton; Rev. J. Hubert Hammett, Yazoo City; Rev. Jack Cranford, Iuka; D. P. Boggan, Hickory; Rev. J. Dallas Wallace, Clinton; Rev. A. W. Douglas, West.

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Storie, Ocean Springs, had the unique experience of having 3 children graduating this spring and each from a different class in school: Bobbie, age 13, graduating from the 8th grade class of Ocean Springs; Dorothy, 17, from the senior class; and Iva Lou, 20, from Clark Memorial College.

The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of renewal subscriptions from Adairton Church, Oktibbeha County. The list was sent by Mrs. Elvie Duke, church clerk.

From the Baptist New Mexican, we learn that Rev. John R. Eubanks has resigned as pastor of Second Church, Greenville, Mississippi, and is now serving as missionary for the Atomic Association. This is a new association, the principle churches being: First, Santa Fe; First, Espanola; First, Taos; First, Los Alamos; and First, Chama. Mr. Eubanks was for 10 years and also the first pastor of Second Church, Greenville, and Mississippians regret to lose him.

Bessie Mae Severs from the Baptist Orphanage graduated from Blue Mountain College this year. She was on the Honor Roll, completing her work in February but received her diploma with the regular class at the close of the school year. She has been employed in the Boy Scout Headquarters of Memphis and was married to Mr. Darnell Ira Gooch of Memphis on June 1.

Miss Joyce Hall, graduate of Blue Mountain, is serving as educational secretary for the summer months at South Side Church, Miss Hall is teaching at Grenada during the public school term.

East Side Church, Jackson County, has recently closed a successful Vacation Bible School with an enrollment of 64 and an average attendance of 54. A mission offering of \$5.14 was taken to go to China. There were 11 workers, with Miss Stella Broadus of Escatawpa acting as principal. Rev. A. L. Ott is pastor.

Dr. L. G. Gates, former pastor of the Laurel First Baptist church, was honored by a surprise on his 73rd birthday when he attended what he thought was a banquet of the men of the church, only to discover it was in observance of his anniversary. The men presented him with a "coat of green" which was in reality a covering of \$1 bills, one for each year. The event was outstanding in happy fellowship. Pastor James Parrish was master of ceremonies and placed the "coat of green" on Dr. Gates' shoulders.

Mrs. J. Lewis Gates, accompanied by Mrs. Gates, sang Dr. Gates' favorite hymn, "In the Garden" and many friends gave warm testimonies of what the honoree's life has meant. Among the out of town guests was Dr. J. W. Provine of Clinton, a classmate and boyhood friend. Joining in the occasion were ministers of other denominations and men from the various churches in Laurel. The occasion was on the 43rd anniversary of Dr. Gates' connection with the church.

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Mt. Gilead Church observed its first memorial on June 6 for the Mt. Gilead, Rawson, and Shamburger Cemeteries. Pastor Alex McGrew and County Missionary, Rev. Ben Seitz, conducted the service.

Eight boys from the Baptist Orphanage attended the Intermediate R. A. Camp at Camp Garaywa. They were Danny Williams, Walter Burrow, Wiley Burrow, Leon Kethley, Winfred Ferguson, J. W. Foster, Melvin Oglesby and Louis Earl Hutchins. Supt. Mize wishes to thank everyone who contributed to their welfare.

PASTOR WANTED: The chairman of the pulpit committee of a Northeast Mississippi church writes as follows: "We are without a pastor. If you know of any good man that would be interested in rural and small town work, we have a home here at — and would like to have half time and two other churches within 6 miles would cooperate which could make a good field for a man who does not mind getting his feet muddy sometimes." Anyone interested may write the editor of the Baptist Record.

The following young people are also members of the newly organized choir at Beaumont Baptist Church along with the others given in last week's Record: Jo Ann Pipkins, Virginia Elder, Mary Martin, Billy Ray Mathis, Clarice Pipkins. Joe Pully is choir director.

Trained Christian Helmsmen Needed---

DRIFTING TOWARD DESTRUCTION

With the Christian Way of life threatened and even the Bible itself discredited in high places and low, we drift toward destruction of the very thing that has made America the envy of the world - Christian liberty. Who can steer our course, to save our craft from wreck?



TIMES DEMAND TRAINED CHRISTIAN HELMSMEN!

Such tempestuous times demand a peculiar type of leaders - Christian leaders - trained leaders - in every community to preserve our way of life. Only trained Christian leaders can steer the impregnable vessel of individual liberty through such dangerous waters. Where are we to look for these leaders?

THE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

The answer is, "The Christian College." Founded for this very purpose, these Christian schools have given us our pastors, church leaders, kingdom builders, missionaries, many business and professional men and great statesmen. They will continue to furnish our leaders, if worthily supported. Someone asks, "Are we financially able to support four colleges?"

ARE YOU KIDDIN'?

Mississippi Baptists number 336,000; annual income \$235,200,000; annual tithe, \$23,520,000. If we only gave 20% - too little - through the Cooperative Program and divided 60-40 as now, we would have \$2,822,400; enough to raise the endowment of our Senior Colleges to present requirements and have \$2,500,000 to endow our Junior College. AND THAT'S ONLY OUR TITHE, AND ONLY FOR ONE YEAR!

DENOMINATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE

Someone has very aptly said, "Christian Education is denominational life insurance." Stated in different language, our colleges are a Baptist "must." They are not merely good institutions to have; they are absolutely essential. Let us quit piddling around at the job and endow them! May we help you to help accomplish this worthy objective?

WHAT SOME GREAT LEADERS SAID

Dr. Mullins: "Taking the world for Christ becomes an iridescent dream without Christian Education and the forces that will produce results along that line." Dr. Truett: "Wisdom has fled from us if we fail to take care of our schools." Roger Babson: "Religion, like everything else of value, must be taught." The Duke of Wellington: "Educate a man without touching his heart and you make him a clever devil." William Jennings Bryan: "The intellect is a splendid servant, but it is not fit to be the master of men. Only the heart is great enough to occupy the throne of the human life."

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DAY

Sunday, June 27, is Christian Education Day. Pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, and other church leaders are admonished to observe it as befits the occasion.



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LAFAYETTE CO. HAS "NEW LOOK"

Missionary G. M. Crawford who is serving both Marshall and Lafayette Associations is leading in a fine way. In April both associations had a church to church visitation program in the interest of Training Union. This was followed by a study course in Holly Springs, and within the last month Brother Crawford has taught study courses in four of the churches in Lafayette Co. that organized unions as the result of the visitation program. These were in Abbeville, DeLay, London Hill and Tula. The fifth has been planned, this one will be at Clear Creek Church the second week in July. Some of the young people of the Oxford Church helped in some of these study courses which proved a blessing to all concerned. Mr. Jesse Hardin, Associational Director is rejoicing in the results as the program was his planning and he went personally and carried the visitor to the churches during the church to church visitation program, and so Lafayette takes on the "new look" in Training Union work.

Mr. B. G. Ray, Associational Director of Alcorn Co. Training Union, is already making plans for 1949, setting up in his calendar of activities a Training Union Revival for the association for a week in April. It is great to work with leaders who are looking ahead, laying a good foundation and building thereon. Their recent Associational Leadership School in which the State Training Union department had a part, was a great success, eleven churches cooperated with a good attendance. The meeting was held with the Willow Grove church.

GULF COAST MEETS WITH WOOLMARKET CHURCH

Thanks to Director B. V. Harper of Gulf Coast Association for a good report on their last meeting which was held at Woolmarket church. This church is inland six or eight miles, has a new building and a wonderful spirit. This spirit is reflected in the progress being made in all phases of the work. The attendance at the Associational meeting reflected the good leadership of the associational officers. They had their elimination contest and are planning to bring a big crowd to the District Convention which meets in Picayune Thursday of this week. Last January during "bad" weather Brother Harper had your state Training Union Secretary and the Associational Missionary, O. B. Anderson, with him in a church to church visitation program, and he says, "That program is paying off."

We remind you again of the new Intermediate study course book, *A Faith To Live By*. Just off the press and fit for any Christian to study with profit. Certainly every Intermediate Leader will want to have a class in this book for her union, following it up 'til EVERY member has taken it.

NEXT WEEK'S CONVENTIONS

Beginning Monday the 21st the district conventions will run through Friday the 25th. Raleigh the 21st, First Canton the 22nd, First Greenwood the 23rd, Shelby the 24th and Marks the 25th. This goes to press as the conven-

tions begin their first week.

TRAINING UNION YOUTH WEEK AT COLLINS BAPTIST CHURCH

Only words of praise and commendation can describe Youth Week at Collins Baptist Church. All activities were remarkably well planned and executed.

From the time the church key was handed over to the Intermediates on Sunday night until the week was climaxed on the following Sunday there was inspiration for all.

The highlight of the evening service was the presentation of the playlet *The Challenge of the Cross*. Members of the church testified as to its being the most effective playlet of its kind they had ever witnessed.

The deacons meeting, with the Intermediates serving, offered some valuable and constructive ideas for the improvement of the church and its program.

The mid-week prayer service was a song sermon on the Christian Characteristics. The following Sunday all Sunday School classes were taught by Intermediates. The week was climaxed by a great message at the preaching hour by Robert Magee. The church was filled to overflowing and every one was challenged and inspired.

The Intermediates participating were: Bobby Magee, Peggy Baggett, Hubbard Norris Jr., Wanda Mayfield, Pat Green Jr., Billy McLaurin, James Harold Lowry, Jimmie Young, Billy Thomas, Grace Magee, Barbara Hills, Martha Gene Gibson, Carolyn Runyan, Lavell, Anna Estes, McRaney, Robertson, Ann Todd, Joan Jordan, and James Edward Jones. Already both young people and adults have keen anticipation for "Youth Week" in 1949. The pastor of this church is James H. Fairchild Jr.

Cecil Whittington,
Training Union Director.

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Record Reaches Far

To any who doubt that the Baptist Record is read by people both far and near, we quote below a letter.

"132 Derby Road
Long Eaton
Nottingham, England
28 May, 1948

Mr. W. G. Mize
R. A. Camp Fund
Baptist Orphanage
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Sir:

Please accept this small contribution towards your Camp fund. This cheque is in appreciation for the Joy I derive from reading the Baptist Record. My Father, the Rev. Thomas A. Sims, Little Rock (Beulah Baptist Church) has it sent to me each week. When I read the Record I know there are those who still believe in Jesus Christ and try to live as they believe He would have them live.

Yours in Christ
Alton W. Simms."

—BR—

Main Street, Hattiesburg, will honor Dr. and Mrs. John E. Barnes, Jr., with a reception of their fourth anniversary Thursday evening, June 17, from 7 until 9 o'clock.



Department of Church Music

FATSY BAILEY, Office Secretary

P. O. Box 530 — Phone 3-9106 — Jackson

Our District Hymn Playing contests will be held on Sunday afternoon, June 27, at 2:30 p. m. with the exception of District Seven which will meet at 1:30 p. m.

District One: (To be announced later).

District Two: Indianola Baptist Church, Indianola, Mississippi.

District Three: First Baptist Church, Grenada, Mississippi.

District Four: Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, Mississippi.

District Five: East End Baptist Church, Columbus, Mississippi.

District Six: Clarke College Auditorium, Newton.

District Seven: Wiggins Baptist Church, Wiggins, Mississippi.

District Eight: First Baptist Church, Brookhaven.

There will be four separate contests for the Junior and Intermediate boys and girls, with the 9 and 10 year olds competing. The 11 year olds will compete with the 12 year olds, the 13 year olds with the 14 year olds and the 15 year olds with the 16 year olds. They will be graded as follows:

Playing the hymn (as a congregational song) 40 percent.

Using Variations (creativity by runs, chords, arpeggios, etc 20 percent.

Personal Interpretation 20 per cent.

Memorization 10 per cent.

Good Technique 10 per cent.

The following district directors will be in charge of these meetings: District Two: Mr. Sam Jones, Indianola, Mississippi; District Three: Mrs. D. E. Clark, Calhoun City, Mississippi; District Four: Rev. Robert Palmer, Baldwin, Mississippi; District Five: Miss Marion E. Davis, Columbus, Mississippi; District Six: Mr. Troy Prince, Newton, Mississippi; District Seven: Mrs. C. O. Rogers, Collins, Mississippi; District Eight: Rev. J. C. Pinson, Osyka, Mississippi.

The winners from these District Contests will go to the State Music Convention in Jackson, Mississippi, October 1-2, 1948.

DISTRICT TRAINING UNION ENSEMBLE CONTESTS

The Training Union Ensembles will go to their respective Training Union Conventions and Mr. W. C. Morgan will be in charge of the contests for each convention.

SUMMER SCHOOLS BEGIN

The teachers of Summer Schools of Music met at the Department of Church Music in the Baptist Building Saturday morning, June 5, to discuss their schedules for the summer months. We are anticipating a successful summer with schools scheduled through August 23. We have some open dates in August and a few in July if you still want a School of Music.

We begin our work June 7 with Miss Jean Parker teaching at Cowart Baptist Church, Charleston, Mississippi; Miss Betty Riley teaching at Indianola Baptist Church, Indianola, Mississippi; and Miss Pat Hicks teaching at Bay Springs Baptist Church, Bay Springs, Mississippi.

The Hinds and Warren Associational Music Festival was held Sunday, June 6, Van Winkle Baptist Church, with Mr. Bill Lowe in charge. The following contestants will go to the District Hymn Playing Contest: Miss Shirley Ruth Meek, Mr. James Herring and Mr. Jimmy Shimp, all from the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi.

The winning Ensembles were: Small: First Church, Jackson; Large: Van Winkle Church, Jackson; First Church, Jackson.

This Festival was well attended, much interest manifested, and spirit fine. There was much enthusiasm over future District Contests.

Mr. Reid Moore is the Director of the First Church, Jackson, groups and Mr. Bill Lowe is Director of the Van Winkle groups.

Houlka Church Has Great Week



Houlka Church recently closed the largest Vacation Bible School in the history of the church with an enrollment of 107 and 98 receiving attendance certificates. Miss Gladys Bryant, Training Union field worker, served as principal. Other workers were as follows: Mrs. C. O. Smith, Mrs. J. O. Harwood, Mrs. Farrel Thomas, Mrs. Arthur Thompson, Mrs. Russ Brown, Mrs. John Andrews, Mrs. Brockman Mason, Mrs. Peggy Johnson, Mrs. Frances Collums, Mrs. Elliot Andrews, Mrs. Remon Johnson, Jean Peden, and Mrs. John Collums.

Refreshments were provided by the

Training Union for each afternoon and a picnic lunch by the WMU on the closing day.

During the same week there was also a Training Union study course conducted. Pastor S. P. Andrews taught the adults, "Pilgrim's Progress." Mrs. H. L. Andrews taught the Intermediates, and Miss Gladys Bryant taught the Junior manual.

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The June issue of the Baptist Student contains an interesting article by Norma Jean John entitled, "Far Greater Wealth." Miss John is a student at Blue Mountain College and is a volunteer for missionary journalism.

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S SECRETARY.



Miss Alma Hunt

Miss Hunt was elected as successor to Miss Kathleen Mallory, who served as Secretary for 37 years. Miss Hunt has served for several years as Dean of Women at William Jewel College in Missouri. She has been actively connected with Woman's Missionary Union activities through the years. She will assume her duties in the early fall.

A MISSIONARY SEES CHINA AFTER A DELAYED FURLOUGH

Baptist Mission
Tsinfing, Shantung, China
April 29, 1948

My dear Friends:

Back to Bethel! What a week of grins and tears! Arriving at our front gate and seeing the Christians awaiting me, I began bowing and smiling. By the time I had walked through the two lines to the steps of the mission residence tears were streaming down my cheeks over the thought of leaving them in two weeks. All last week it was the same—so happy to greet former friends who come to see me, but before they had finished relating the sufferings of these last few years I was wanting a place to weep for them. Two pupils walked 13 miles to see me, carrying two-year boys in their arms.

All have so aged; are shabbily dressed and very few have enough to eat. At the welcome service for me Sunday afternoon the pastor graciously announced to the new people present my age. They all rave over my having gained 10 pounds and say, "Just look how fast she walks! What energy!" I am just as pretty to them as ever, which was only as pretty as an eggshell and you know they do not all have the same freshness! My responsibility to them is all the greater for the years in my own land of comfort and plenty.

This is considered the hardest spring in history with the exception of their great famine year. Ninety-five per cent of the people are having just enough food to exist. Our schools have only 450 pupils as so many can't afford even the small amount of tuition. On account of high cost of food and prices rising daily we are not having a boarding department in either the high school or Women's Bible School. Christians' children and young converts from the other



Miss Margaret Bruce

Miss Bruce has served as Young People's Secretary of Tennessee since 1934. She was elected as successor to Miss Juliette Mather, who is now Editorial Secretary for Woman's Missionary Union. Miss Bruce will continue serving as Tenn. Young People's Secretary through the summer.

churches on our fields have no chance to go to school. Pray about this.

The crowded steamer was only endured. One bright spot on the voyage was the day our missionaries and friends in beautiful Honolulu, where one's heart was lifted in praise to God for the rapid growth of the work, spent with us.

Japan—what a change! The mighty hath been brought low! No more women and children in gay kimonos bowing and smiling at the sight of friends. Our steamer planned a sight-seeing trip by buses from the port of Yokohama to Tokyo. The 20 miles road of destruction made one heart-sick. But men in old army uniforms working in little patches of vegetables on the former floor space of homes evidenced the fact that hope springs eternal in the human breast. There were lines a block long of poorly dressed Japanese before theaters waiting to see an American movie, with the U. S. occupation forces keeping order, hungry hearts seeking to escape for a few hours the reality of present life. Where were the missionaries with the Bread of life and living water? A number of Catholic workers disembarked from our steamer to be added to the one thousand already there while all Protestant missionaries combined number only about one hundred. An officer in the U. S. occupation forces told us that if they were withdrawn under 20 years the whole purpose of our government for reconstruction would be lost.

We rejoice over the release of one of our Bible women, Mrs. Chang, and a young evangelist who were 80 days in the hands of Communists. Mrs. Chang, 65 years old, upon getting free returned to her field and after walking from one home to another in her city, and out through the villages, walked 50 miles here. She is eagerly awaiting a chance to get back to her field.

Most sincerely yours,
BERTHA SMITH

Department of Temperance Activities

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RUTH STERLING, Office Secretary

The Christian Citizens' League movement has crossed another state line. The newest organization is in St. Tamany Parish, Louisiana. It grew out of a mass meeting in Covington Sunday, May 30. It was my privilege to speak in the Baptist Church at Madisonville on Sunday morning, and in the afternoon in the High School Auditorium at Covington. All of the wards in the Parish were well represented in this mass meeting, and they voted unanimously and enthusiastically to organize a Christian Citizens' League. Two of their wards are already dry by local option elections. They hope to vote it out of the rest of the Parish soon.

The unspeakably corrupt conditions prevailing where liquor is legally sold are causing an uprising on the part of the Christian people. I spent the night in their best hotel. There are eleven open slot machines in this one hotel. A survey of the town revealed that it was difficult to find a place where slot machines were not in evidence. They range in number from three to thirteen. While I was having breakfast

Sunday morning, I saw women playing these slot machines with children by their sides learning to gamble. No wonder we have such an alarming wave of juvenile delinquency, when such conditions prevail.

One of the greatest tragedies of legalized liquor and vice is the loss of conscience on these things on the part of the people. Many who know better who know the devastating effects of these things accept them and close their eyes to the evils. Those who would like to see liquor legalized in Mississippi ought to go into these places and see for themselves. If there has ever been a time when our churches should take definite stand against these evils, now is the time. Whenever the Devil can succeed in giving the preachers and Christian workers the lockpaw, he holds high carnival. Two of our counties are faced with beer elections. Others are about to launch campaign to oust beer. It is going to take the full cooperation of pastors and churches to win these elections.

DEDICATION SERVICE HELD AT LIBERTY HILL CHURCH

Under the leadership of Pastor J. H. Sherman, assisted by Missionary J. W. Oliver, Liberty Hill church in Pano-la Association dedicated four new rooms on May 23, in a home coming celebration attended by many former members and friends. A well planned musical program added to the day's pleasure.

Liberty Hill was organized in 1878, erecting a building the next year. In 1901 another house was built and four rooms were added in 1932, these being a memorial to Rev. H. L. Johnson pastor for 39 years. At the present the church has a good Sunday school with 10 classes and a Training Union as well as Woman's Missionary Society. Preaching is held twice a month. Butane gas has been installed and an electric cooling system adds to the comfort. The building has been repaired and redecorated. Pastor Sherman is successfully leading in the work. Plans for the summer revival call for Rev. Joel Sturdivant of Merigold as the guest preacher. A school of music and study courses will be featured also.

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Mississippian To Be Awarded Doctorate

Rev. Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion and associate secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, is to be awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity at Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tennessee, at their annual commencement on Friday, June 18.

Dr. Moore is a native of Tupelo, where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moore now reside. He is a 1926 graduate of Mississippi College and of the Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville.

Dr. Moore is scheduled to be one of the speakers during WMU week at Camp Garaywa, Clinton, July 6 - 11.

Mississippi Calendar of Prayer

- June 21 — Miss Rubye Langston, Teacher, Baptist Orphanage.
- June 22 — J. E. Buchanan, business manager, Blue Mountain College.
- June 23 — S. L. Stringer, Trustee, Clarke Memorial College.
- June 24 — Mrs. I. E. Rouse, Dean of Women, Woman's College.
- June 25 — Howard Weaver, District 18 Training Union president.
- June 26 — Miss Clarice Killough, Mailing Department, Baptist Building.
- June 27 — C. R. Haire, State Music Vice-president.

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Blue Mountain, Miss., June 10 — Miss Mamie Booth of Mathiston, who graduated from Blue Mountain College and the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and who is now employed by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, is shown teaching one of her classes in the mulatto mission at Buras, La.

C. E. James Accepts Providence Church

Rev. C. E. James, former pastor at Union and Elmo Churches in Jefferson County, has accepted the pastorate at Providence Church, Forrest County.

While Mr. James was at Pleasant Hill Church, the building was remodeled and an annex was added.

There have been 7 professions of faith within the two weeks that he has been at Providence, 3 of them coming from the Vacation Bible School. The enrollment of this school was 122, with an average attendance of 99.

PASTOR GOES TO CAROLINA

Rev. L. E. Rhodes, formerly pastor of the Mount Pleasant church in Lincoln county has resigned to accept the pastorate of the Rankin church in Greensboro, N. C. according to news from Brookhaven. Rev. Rhodes was serving as moderator of the association at the time he resigned. He has been pastor five and a half years.

Mrs. Rhodes and their two year old daughter will accompany the new North Carolina pastor as he goes to assume his work July 1.

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Mrs. Samuel Judson Porter died recently in Washington.



BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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JIMMY McCaleb

Jimmy McCaleb, of Mississippi College, was elected State BSU Social Chairman at the Woman's College Retreat recently. He succeeds Powell Ogletree, of Mississippi Southern. Please pray for him.

POTPOURRI

Word rec'd from Woman's College BSU is that they are about to reach First Magnitude. Also from there: 27 indicated during a chapel program that they were planning to take part in some phase of Christian work this summer . . . Miss College's Pre-School

Retreat is to be at Camp Garaywa Sept. 2-5 . . . One was converted and two joined the Decatur church from E. Central Jr. last month . . . A good BSUer while at Miss. State, Austin Hollingsworth sent from Carthage a generous contribution for the expenses of Frances Bibb and Sylvia Burr and writes: "I feel the least I should do is to give all I can to help those who are called to definite Christian service . . . May God bless you in your work and help us all to live more for Him." . . . Blue Mountain's list of summer workers is most impressive. We thank God for the ten Ridgecrest staffers, the twelve Home Mission Board workers, the ten workers at Camp Garaywa, the one working under our State Music Dept., the one under our State Sunday School Dept., the four in Youth Revivals, and, of course, Sylvia Burr's work in California this summer. In addition, says Miss Bolt, at least 150 will do definite summer work in their hometown churches . . . Miss. Southern BSU is to have its Fall Retreat at Camp Kittywake on the Gulf Coast, according to R. Munday . . .

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Faced by growing dry sentiment, the Licensed Beverage Industries will launch a nation-wide advertising campaign designed to call attention to: (1) taxes collected from industry; (2) encouragement of moderation; (3) grain processing; and (4) industry support of law enforcement.

Mississippi Woman's College

Mississippi Woman's College is receiving applications for the session of 1948-49. The dormitories are rapidly filling up. We have places for 91 more. We feel morally obligated to impress upon Mississippi Baptists the importance of an early enrollment. It is our conviction that since the school is denominational and dedicated to leadership training, Baptist students should have first choice.

We informed all boarding students before the close of the 1947-48 session that we would not reserve their room beyond June 15th. All students of the session just closed have filed applications for 48-49, except three, who have already married or contemplate marriage this summer.

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Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Youth Revival Volunteer



JAMES INGRAM

James Ingram, a freshman at Clarke College, is one of the volunteers for the Youth Revival Crusade in Mississippi this summer. Revival teams may be secured by writing the State BSU Dept., Box 530, Jackson.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell
Lesson for June 20

THE MESSIANIC HOPE. Ezekiel 34: 11-16; 22-31; Daniel 7:13, 14; Zechariah 3:8-10; 6:12, 13; 9:9, 10; 13:1; John 10:14.

I. Hope. That is desire based on expectation of obtaining that which is hoped for. As a Christian grace it is said to abide now and forever. "Now abideth hope, faith, love, these three; and the greatest of these is love" (I Cor. 13:13). As long as heaven holds untasted joys, unexperienced raptures, unwon wisdom, he shall abide; and we feel sure that this condition will obtain forever. In heaven as here the greatest joy of all the joys shall be the joy of going on from one degree of Heavenly glory to another.

II. Sheep and Shepherd. Ezekiel 34: 22-31. (Please, my friend, lay aside this paper now, and read the passage, the wonderful passage, or scripture assigned. It is so rich).

It would even so enrich your knowledge of the lesson should you get your consent to begin at the beginning of the chapter and read all of it that you might see how the words of rich promise to the sheep follows the stern denunciation of the false shepherds and sheep. The Lord is stern with the false shepherds because He loves the sheep, and His whole dealing is with the shepherds and for the benefit of the sheep. The Lord says that He will seek out His sheep and deliver them from the wide spaces into which they have been scattered, gather them from the far countries of

Shelton Accepts Zion Hill Church

Was Riverside Missionary

The Rev. Lloyd Shelton, field missionary for the Baptist Riverside Association, comprising the counties of Coahoma, Quitman and Tunica, has resigned to become pastor of the Zion Hill Church near Hattiesburg. He will begin his duties on July 1.

Boyce Adams, moderator of the association, said the Baptist would build a home for the field missionary in Lyon, and that work would be started soon. The association has \$4500 in cash with which to start the building. Two large residential lots were donated the association by Barry K. Bobo of Lyon for the missionary home.

the earth whither war and persecution and oppression have driven them, will lead them to good pastures of His own choosing and fold them in a secure fold which shall guarantee their freedom and peace.

III. The Branch. Zechariah 3:8-10; 6:12, 13. (Lay aside this paper, take your Bible and read it! Read it!) Would you care to look this matter up a bit more thoroughly? Then see Dr. Wilbur M. Smith in Peloubet's *Selecly Notes on the International Bible Lessons for 1948*, page 187. The Branch is spoken of in four different aspects of His character: (1) As the ideal King who shall reign in righteousness — the Branch of David in whom shall be fulfilled all the promises made to the Davidic house. (Jeremiah 23:5, 6; 33:15, 16) (2) As "My Servant the Branch" (Zechariah 3:8). (3) As "the man." "Behold the man whose name is the Branch" (Zechariah 6:12). (4) As the Branch of Jehova, who in the day shall be for beauty and for glory. . . for excellency and comeliness in the that shall be for the escaped in Israel (Isaiah 4:2).

IV. The Manner of Messiah's Coming. Zechariah 9:9. (Read it). He came, slowly and living with the poor, in humility walking with the crude and common men, compassionate, looking with pitying eyes upon the miseries of the wretched, helpful, ministering to the distress of the needy. Among the kingly things that made His King was this ability to suffer with the miserable of the earth and to relieve their sufferings by rich gifts of Himself with all that He gave for the relief of His suffering people.

In our passage He is represented as riding upon an animal always in those days used as a mount by kings who came to cities in peace. So came our Lord to the Holy City, the Prince of Peace, offering the peace of God to all who would receive Him.

V. Love for Hatred: Salvation for the Sin of Murder.

The people of the Jews hated Him He loved them with an everlasting love. The Jews hounded Him to His death, demanding that of the Roman governor, and Jesus' answer was a prayer for them to the Father, because they did not know what they were doing, and this prayer availed to the salvation of three thousand of this same mob at the time when the Holy Spirit came upon them in convicting power and they cried out, "What shall we do?"

VII. King of Kings: Lord of Lords. This shall be as surely as God rules this world, and plans for it and each of us the way that He knows us able to walk.

Phalti Church to Observe Homecoming

Phalti Church, Jefferson Davis County, will observe homecoming June 20. All former pastors and members are cordially invited to attend.

Services will begin at 10:30 a. m. Three preacher boys who have gone out from the church will have charge of the morning and afternoon program, assisted by the young ladies of the church who are doing Christian work.

Picnic lunch will be served at the noon hour, according to Mrs. J. P. Parish. Rev. Marcus Alexander is pastor.

MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE PLACED ON THE APPROVED LIST OF MISSISSIPPI COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES

By I. E. Rouse, Ph.D.

I feel that the Baptists of Mississippi will be pleased to learn that Mississippi Woman's College has been placed on the approved list of colleges and universities of Mississippi by the State Department of Education, which is a step toward the full accreditation of the work at Mississippi Woman's College. I would like to give below excerpts from communications from the Department of Education, which are self-explanatory.

Mr. J. M. Tubb, State Superintendent of Education, in a letter to me said: "I am sending you a report of the survey that was made of the Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg, by Mr. E. R. Jobe, Executive Secretary, Board of Trustees, Institutions of Higher Learning, and Mr. T. N. Touchstone, Director of the Division of Instruction, State Department of Education."

To quote from the report: "During its period of operation prior to the war it was approved by the State Board of Education as a teacher training institution for certification purposes.

School Plant: The Administration Building, as well as all other buildings on the campus, has been completely renovated.

Classroom Space: Classroom space is available to take care of more than twice the present enrollment. Classrooms are well lighted and in an excellent state of repair.

Finance: Salaries of the faculty members at Mississippi Woman's College are in line with the requirements of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and appear to be sufficient to maintain a suitable teaching staff.

Training of Faculty: Mississippi Woman's College has as exceptionally well qualified staff of teachers when the recency of the organization of the school is taken into consideration. There is a sufficient number of faculty members with terminal degrees and all departments have teachers with M. A. degrees or better, except Music and Art, in which departments these degrees are not customarily required.

Program of Studies: The curriculum of the Woman's College which is required for prospective teachers is based upon the recommendations of the Mississippi State High School Accrediting Commission. The philosophy of service and Christian education, which is a major emphasis in this in-

stitution, should make it an excellent teacher training agency.

Instructional Materials and Equipment: In view of prevailing shortages, a remarkable job has been done in the replacement of old instructional materials with new materials. The equipment is entirely adequate to meet the needs of the student body at this particular time.

Permanent Records: With the reopening of this institution for the 1947-48 session, an especially fine system for preserving permanent records of the students has been instituted by Dr. H. C. Steele, dean and registrar of the college.

Student Activities: A careful check of the organization for student activities was made through conferences with Dr. Steele and faculty members and through conferences with students. This phase of the college program is adequate in every respect.

Recommendations: Based on the above evaluation, we recommend that the Mississippi Woman's College be approved for the purpose of issuing teacher's certificates on the basis of training received in this institution, and that graduates who complete the prescribed twenty-seven quarter hours in education be given the same professional status as graduates of other State teacher training institutions."

Mr. Tubb confirms the adoption of the report, which places Woman's College on the approved list, and closes his letter with these remarks: "Let me congratulate you for the splendid institution that you now have. The recommendations carries with it the approval for issuing teachers' certificates on the basis of training received in that institutions."

We have sent Woman's College transcripts all over the United States, and all transcripts have been received without a single exception. Our next goal is membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. We shall have no trouble here with general Baptist support of the Mississippi Woman's College program.

Mississippi Woman's College is rapidly filling up, and all Baptists on the alert may well explore Woman's College as the place for higher education on the part of their children or in person if a student.

Sincerely,

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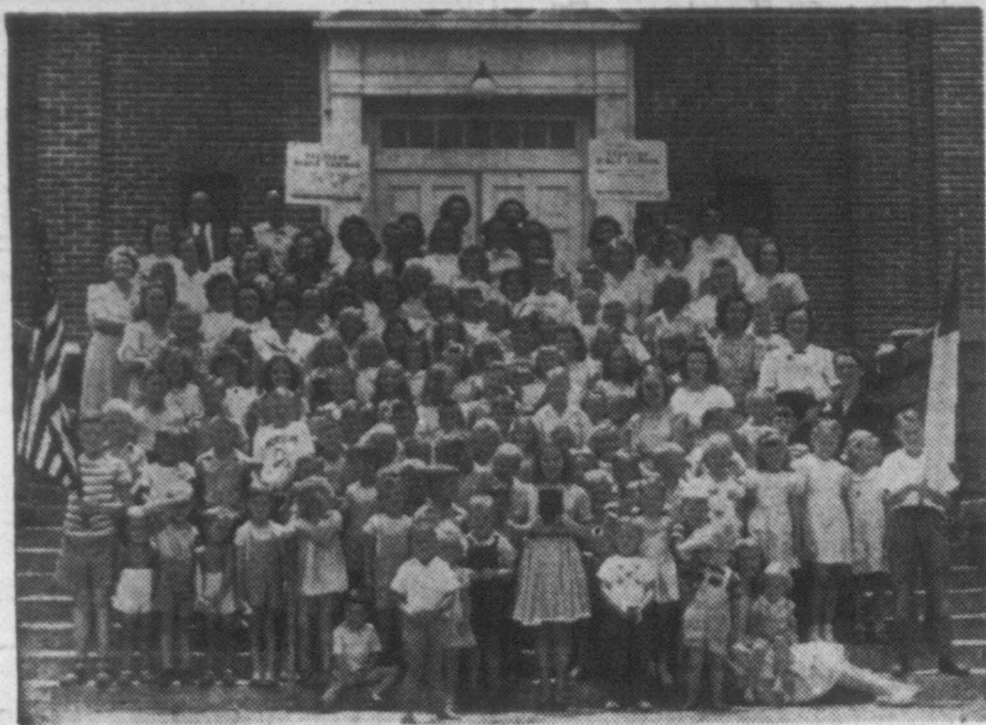
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South Side Church Meridian Has VBS

Shown above are those taking part in the Vacation Bible School at South Side Church, Meridian, Rev. A. Estus Mason, pastor. The enrollment was 205, with an average attendance of 166. Miss Joyce Hall, educational director, served as principal.

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M. E. Perry Accepts Greenville Second

Rev. M. E. Perry, pastor of First Baptist Church, Leaksville, has accepted the call to the Second Church of Greenville.

For years he did independent evangelistic work, directing the music for such men as Dr. L. R. Scarborough, and Dr. George W. Truett. He has also worked with Howard S. Williams, lay-evangelist, Dr. Hyman Appleman, Dr. R. G. Lee and others. Three times he has been connected with the Mississippi Baptist Mission Board as State evangelist, twice as a singer and once as preaching evangelist. He has also been Educational director in churches in the West. At present he is a member of the State Mission Board, is moderator of Greene County Association and is part-time County Missionary in Greene County.

Mr. Perry is also active in civic affairs.

He is expected to begin his ministry with the Second Baptist Church on the first Sunday in July. He and his family, a wife and one son, Robert, will move to Greenville about June 29.

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Mizpah Church Makes Progress

Mizpah Church, Rankin County, is making progress under the leadership of Pastor J. C. Madison, student at Clarke College.

Sunday School and Training Union attendances have increased. Plans are underway to begin the erection of a larger building. Recently Mrs. C. O. Morgan, Training Union director, gave a social for the Training Union.

There were 60 who recently took a study course taught by Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Madison, adult and junior classes, and Rev. and Mrs. L. G. Camp of Clarke college, young people and intermediates.

Plans have been made for a Vacation Bible School to begin July 5. A state Sunday School worker will be

A Reader Writes

Every Christian the World over believes that Jesus of Nazareth was and is the Christ of God, perfect, and one with God the Father, according to the Scriptures. Therefore, we must believe that the way of peace He practiced and advocated is the best possible way to attain peace on earth, for had there been a better way Jesus, being perfect as He was, surely would have taught that better way. He said on one occasion, "He that taketh the sword shall perish by the sword." And yet nearly half the population of the world, claiming to be Christian, is clamoring for swords, bombs, gas and all kinds of death dealing implements of war; military training and war preparedness, under the guise of defense or some other pretense.

Now if we are sincere and really desire to be instrumental in attaining peace, and honest and unselfish enough to practice the golden rule, we can put an end to war almost instantly by enacting through our legislature a single paragraph requiring that every individual who choose, advocates and votes for war shall be among the first casualties of the resulting conflict.

So simple the real merit of the suggestion has so far been overlooked or ignored, though the plan has been offered repeatedly for decades.

Personally, I will appreciate letters from fellow travelers explaining why such a plan will not effect the desired result, and why such a plan is superstitiously avoided.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

W. M. LOGAN, Malvina, Miss.

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Falkner Church has recently completed a Vacation Bible School. Rev. Audie Mays, pastor, was assisted by Rev. H. H. Ward, county missionary of Union County. A Sunday School revival was held in the evenings and a religious census was taken. Sunday School attendance increased from 50 to 135. New classes have been organized to take care of the additions.

Rev. Grady Smith has resigned his work at Leesburg, Rankin County, in order to accept the pastorate of Paul Truett Memorial Church in Rankin County. He succeeds Rev. Clyde B. Jones, who recently resigned.

ALBANY, N. Y. —(RNS)— The Court of Appeals, New York State's highest tribunal, unanimously upheld a decision by lower courts dismissing a suit which challenged the constitutionality of a \$128,000 state grant to Canisius College (Catholic) of Buffalo.

assisted in the school by the following: Allyn Moore and Mrs. Woodie Anderson, Intermediates; Mrs. R. D. Moon and Mrs. Hardie Winstead, Juniors; Mrs. Wayne Winstead and Mrs. Troy Gray, Primary; Mrs. A. D. Varner and Mrs. Guy Gray, Beginner.

MISS. BAPTIST SEMINARY IN COMMENCEMENT SERVICE

By R. E. Willis

The auditorium of the Farish Street Baptist Church, Jackson, Dr. C. A. Greer, pastor, was the scene of the Miss. Baptist Seminary Commencement Services.

The procession was led by Dr. G. Norman Price, and followed by faculty members, candidates, and student body, marching to "God of Our Fathers" as played by Mrs. C. B. Oatis.

The climax of the service was reached with the baccalaureate sermon, given by Dr. R. W. Woullard, Pastor of Antioch Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, using for his theme, "The Unsearchable Riches of His Grace."

Dr. J. D. Ray, of Starkville, in the Commencement Address, differentiated between wisdom and knowledge.

As Dr. Ray concluded his excellent address and graduates were presented, it became increasingly apparent that were white and Negro Baptists given free reins the question of race would no longer be a problem. Unquestionably, more has been done through Interracial Cooperative Missions in Mississippi towards the solution of the race problem by Baptists than by all the 'would-be-reformers' whether individual or group.

Dr. Fred Bookter, the pastor of Central Baptist Church, McComb, and chairman of the Seminary's Board of Trustees, awarded Degrees, Diplomas, and Certificates to sixty-four students.

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State BSU secretary, Charles W. Horner, has an interesting article entitled, "Time to Live," in the June issue of the Baptist Student.

Again we remind our readers that letters without names get no attention in this office. We are in receipt of a second letter from "A Christian Mother", but as there is no name, it is just too bad.

LEXINGTON PASTOR WILL RETURN TO CHAPLAINCY

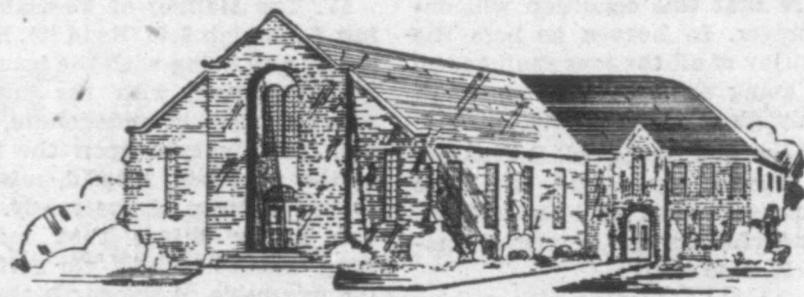
Rev. L. E. Burnette who has been pastor of the Lexington Baptist church since February 15, 1946, has resigned to take up his work as Chaplain with the Air Force. He expects to report for duty July 15. Before coming to Lexington he was a successful Chaplain.

The church has progressed definitely, according to Pastor Burnette, who describes it as "one of the best in the state." His tenure of service has been a happy one, and the cooperative spirit of the people has resulted in some gains. They are now giving \$175 monthly to the cooperative program instead of \$75 formerly. An educational director and secretary was added. "The Baptist News" is sent to each member carrying church items; the calendar of activities was adopted and emphasis on missionary development has been given through a fine program of missionary talks, movies, and other means of missionary information.

Pastor and Mrs. Burnette are well loved in the community, and their musical talent has added to the breadth of their service in many areas of life. The going of the pastor is regretted by the church, but his feeling that his task now lies in the Chaplaincy is definite, and the good wishes of all attend him as he does his uniform again and takes his post with the Armed Forces.

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Dr. Sanford Fleming, president of the Berkeley Divinity School, was elected head of the Northern Baptist Convention. V. L. Shontz, Ill., was elected first vice-president, and H. R. Bowler, recording secretary. The Convention also approved the suggestions for a North American Baptist Alliance, and continued in World Council and Federal Council of Churches.



Shown above is the artist's sketches of

the proposed Fulton Baptist Church.

FULTON BAPTIST CHURCH TO ERECT NEW BUILDING

FULTON, Miss., June 3 — Demolition of the present church building of the Fulton Baptist Church has begun to make room for a new \$50,000 modern church plan to be erected on the lot this summer, according to Pastor A. M. Overton.

The final services of the church in the old building were held Sunday morning, May 30. Fulton Grammar School will be used by the church during the building program.

W. B. Gaddy, Fulton building superintendent is in charge of the demolition of the old church building which has been used by the church for the past 28 years. The J. E. Staub Co., is lending its entire crew under Mr. Gaddy's supervision for the tearing down of the building. It is expected that a large amount of the useable lumber from the old building will be used in the new construction.

The Building Committee for the

new structure is composed of A. T. Cleveland, chairman, W. B. Gaddy, J. H. Gilliland, C. C. Harrison, H. W. Holcomb, E. C. Riley and C. M. Young. The Finance Committee consists of Nolan McKee, chairman, J. E. Burch, treasurer, Elmo Barber, R. S. Harrison and A. F. Thornberry.

The Fulton Church is establishing a Bible School for Preachers under the directorship of Rev. A. M. Overton, pastor. A lease has already been signed for the second story of the old Itawamba County Bank Building which will be used for the school until the educational plant of the new church is completed. The school is scheduled to open on Tuesday, September 7th, according to Mr. Overton.

The curriculum of the school will include courses in Bible, and Gospel Music. Rev. Lawrence C. Riley of Belmont, Miss., formerly pastor of the Hollywood Baptist Church in Memphis, will head the music department. E. R. Anderson, pastor of the Central Baptist Church of Grenada will teach a course in Bible.